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## The Search

Two travellers met. One said, "Where art thou bound my friend?"

"I seek, myself, the light that shines not on the land or sea.

I know not when, nor where will be my journey's end;

But yet, one thing is sure, I know that light will shine for me."

The other spoke and smiled, "I, too, that light have sought ;

But on my way so many sorrowful have needed me,

So many sick and without hope have clung, that aught

I had I gave of hope, of time, of cheer, of strength, you see

That took up all my years, and now I am grown old. Success to thee!

I must go back once more lest their new joy wax cold.

"Farewell!" He smiled and held the other with his gaze ;

When, suddenly, the younger's eyes opened wonder-wide :

"O friend," he gasped, "My friend," and trembled in amaze,

While some strange, wondrous presence filled the place.

"O friend, my friend, *the light is shining on thy face.*"

—*Author Unknown*



**FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK**

Ocean Park is quite cosmopolitan, these days, while General Conference Board meetings are in session. Added to the usual summer colony are representative workers from East and West: Dr. and Mrs. Livingston D. Lord of New York; President Mauck, Michigan; Mrs. L. M. P. Durgin, President of the National F. B. W. M. S., Minnesota; Rev. Mr. Fulton, Ohio; Revs. Ellen Copp of Wisconsin and Elizabeth Moody of Michigan; Dr. Stacy, New Hampshire, whose latest book, "Wayside Garniture," was recently announced; Rev. Henry M. Ford, D. D., now claimed by Maine; Mrs. Alice M. Metcalf, Rhode Island; our missionaries from India, Mrs. Griffin, Miss Coombs and Dr. Mary Bachelier—others are expected, later; Mrs. Mary A. Davis, Pennsylvania, Honorary President of the W. M. S.; Mrs. Brackett and Mrs. MacDonald from Storer College, West Virginia. Prof. Anthony, Secretary of the General Conference, Hon. G. M. Mosher of the *Watchman-Star*, and Hon. Lindley M. Webb, the kind friend and attorney of the W. M. S., have summer homes here. A resume of important actions of the Board will be given in our next number.... The cheery presence of Miss De-Meritte, friend and fellow worker—friend to everybody and fellow worker everywhere—is greatly missed, these early days. We hope she may be with us, later; meantime, let us unite, in the Quiet Hour, as our Assistant Treasurer so lovingly suggests, "in asking our Heavenly Father that she may be each moment conscious of His great love, His indwelling and His guiding.".... A very practical and interesting preliminary meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was held in the reception room of Curtis Home on the evening of July 18. It was of peculiar interest and value because of the presence of such a goodly number of missionaries and representative Western workers. The special needs of our India and Storer fields were discussed, and the necessity of THE MISSIONARY HELPER, as a disseminator of information about our work, was emphasized.... Our friends across the sea sometimes call Chandipore "the Ocean Park of India." The picture on the cover represents Dr. Kennan's bungalow there.... Many readers will be interested to know that our former Editor and all-the-time friend, Mrs. Emeline B. Cheney, now of Chicago, is to move to Hillsdale, Mich., in September, when her granddaughters will enter college. She writes, "The prospect is delightful to me of being again among old associations of church and

school," and we know that beautiful College Hill will be the richer.... Congratulations and all best wishes to our General Subscription Agent, Miss Lydia Harris Andrews, Providence, R. I., who has honorably completed her course of study at Brown University—a course of the fine arts, languages, literature and science—and received the degree of Bachelor of Arts. Miss Andrews' engagement was recently announced to Mr. Herbert Briggs Francis, a classmate at Brown, who will enter his senior year at the Rochester, N. Y., Theological Seminary, next fall, and now has charge of a summer Bible School in New York City. With other young people from Rhode Island, Miss Andrews will attend the Young Peoples' Missionary Conference, and the Annual Meeting of the W. M. S., at Ocean Park.... Miss Butts writes, "The money for scissors and other work was most acceptable. I wish that some one wanted to give money for tables and benches. Think of trying to get good results in drawing, etc., with all my pupils sitting on the floor!".... Dr. Mary tells us of meeting the Murphys, at the home of Mr. Harry Myers in New Jersey, just before they sailed. They seemed full of courage and enthusiasm. A card from Mrs. Murphy, written at sea, announces that all were well. The latest news from Balasore was that the Orphanage girls had returned from their outing at Jellasure. Miss Goodrich and Miss Butts were with Miss Barnes and Miss Coe. Miss Goodrich is ill but hopes the change will do her good, and Miss Barnes writes, "Please pray for her.".... In a new interdenominational monthly, *The Twentieth Century Church*, we note that President Mauck and Prof. Anthony have contributed to a Symposium on Christian Union.... Mr. Irving L. Stone, Battle Creek, Mich., has printed in pamphlet form his very suggestive and logical address on "The Way To Secure Universal Peace.".... Again we call attention to the appeal for a vacation campaign for the MISSIONARY HELPER, suggested in the July number. The Lewiston, Maine, agent writes, "I have sent ten new subscriptions to the HELPER, this year. One lady who subscribed last winter by my solicitation, thanked me for bringing her the HELPER. She said she thought it was *fine*." One writes from Illinois, "The HELPER seems doubly precious now. I congratulate you anew on making it so good a magazine.".... We have been asked to give personal items, from time to time. It is not always possible, but we gladly devote this space in our Midsummer Number to "family news.".... When there is really an imperative need, we believe there is always a way of supplying it, even if it is not plain at the moment. Let us all work and pray that the Domestic Science Building, so greatly needed at Storer College, may be provided in the near future....

## Bhimpore, The City of Hercules

BY PROF. ALFRED WILLIAMS ANTHONY, D. D.

Bhim, I was told, is the name of a Hindu god, resembling somewhat the Greek conception of Hercules. I saw his image by the roadside on the way to Bhimpore, a hideous caricature of a strong man, with swollen muscles and flamboyant color, the structure of which is plainly visible, composed of a framework of wood, with straw bound on, which is covered with mud and plaster. Wool tied to the head represents hair.

There is nothing herculean in the aspect of the country. After four miles northward along the Puri Pilgrim road, the journey lies straight-



A CHARRY ON THE ROAD TO BHIMPORE

way west for sixteen miles, through a lonely section of scrub oak growth and spent land, unprofitable now for cultivation. A few straggling huts are passed. In a few instances are the remains of indigo factories and indications of run-out indigo plantations. These are enterprises which have been ruined within the last dozen or fifteen years, by the manufacture of aniline dyes in America and in other lands,—evidence of the close relations which all countries bear to each other, industrially at least, whether realized by the people most concerned, or not. The story is told that the tenants, to whom this land was rented by an indigo company, under contract to plant a certain amount of seed each year, hated the company, because of the hard terms exacted, and planted one year



boiled seed, thus keeping the bare letter of the contract, but saving themselves all the work of cultivating and harvesting a crop. These people, though impoverished by their vindictive folly, were glad when the company failed.

On this road few vehicles are seen. The usual conveyance is a two-wheeled cart drawn by a yoke of bullocks, the rate of speed of which is about two miles an hour. Dr. and Mrs. Kennan, when traveling on this road, usually spend the whole night en route, preferring the night, as do most of the natives of India, because it is cooler by night than by day. But we sped over the road behind a pair of diminutive ponies, in a box-



CHURCH AT EHIMPORE

like cab, or "gharry," the driver of which with an extra man rode on top. The day before two horses had been sent ahead, half of the distance, as a relay. Since there were two gharries, journeying at the same time, each had a fresh horse for the last half of the distance, and for some reason, known only to native wisdom, the horse which made the entire distance was changed at the relay place to the opposite side of the pole. Perhaps this was an effort to make the worn-out animal think that he was a fresh horse, too.

Being extraordinary travelers, we made the journey in an extraordinarily brief space of time,—twenty miles in four hours and twenty

minutes! This was a favorable opportunity, however, to learn from Mr. Wyman, my companion, (while Dr. Barbour and Dr. Crozier rode in the gharry in advance), that the union of General Conference and of the Woman's Missionary Society had been accomplished on the field with great satisfaction to all. One remittance, one fund and one account, with all missionaries, men and women alike, on one committee, gave better proportion to all aspects of the work, and promoted economy of time and effort in administration.

I learned, too, that the missionary is often obliged to help the native Christian maintain and defend his rights in the courts of law. A man by forging the names of a sister and a brother undertook to dispossess a Christian of land, which he had inherited from his father, and the forger went on to the land and cut the crops by force. When the rightful owner brought suit against the trespasser, the latter instituted criminal proceedings against the Christian for an alleged assault upon his servant in the melee when the crops were cut. Mr. Wyman had taken the case in hand, carried it successfully through one court and was prepared to defend it in a higher court to which an appeal had been taken. This is an instance of the persecutions to which converts are subjected and of the variety of ways in which the missionary is called upon to befriend and help those who follow his teaching.

The first glimpse of Bhimpore reveals the mission church, with square towers, massive and solid looking, standing at a bend in the road. The town is not large. The mission compound of thirteen or fourteen acres extends from the church around the bend in the road. The bungalow of stone and plaster, "pucca" construction, as it is called in the East, was built by Dr. Burkholder, but Dr. Kennan, now in charge, has installed water connections, with bath tubs, sinks and closets, and made other improvements. A well thirty feet deep, which it was proposed to deepen, was the source of water supply. By this, Dr. Kennan, manufacturing his own blocks in shape to fit a circle and taper toward the top, had constructed a circular concrete tank, into which water was forced from the well by a wind mill. For about eight months of the year the winds suffice as power, but for the other four months the labor of two men must be employed to supplement the wind.

A garden, flourishing in vegetable luxuriance, irrigated from a well, is one of the material agencies used by Dr. Kennan for the benefit of the Santals, whom he serves. Pineapples, guavas, mangoes, tomatoes and

other, to us, more common fruits and vegetables, are raised; and on the roof of the doctor's bungalow we found seeds drying, and then learned that he had sent to many places, even to the homeland, for seeds with which to experiment, in order to introduce amongst the natives better varieties adapted to the local conditions of soil and climate. Particularly had he been experimenting in beans, corn, sweet potatoes and peanuts.

On the afternoon of our arrival, which was Monday, Feb. 20, 1911, the new "Sterling Memorial Hospital" was dedicated. This had been in process of erection since June, and had cost about two thousand rupees. The money had been raised by Dr. Kennan during his last visit home on furlough; and the name had come to him in connection with one of



DR. AND MRS. KENNAN AND NATIVE PASTOR, BHIMPORE

the donations. A mother, whose son had died, leaving a silver dollar, a gift to him, had been in great uncertainty as to what object the dollar should be devoted, and had taken it to and from church several times in her uncertainty, and at length had consecrated it to this purpose, when she heard the appeal of Dr. Kennan. It was "Sterling's Dollar"; and so the hospital was named "The Sterling Memorial Hospital."

The dedicatory services were very simple. It was my privilege, standing on the steps of the solid, stone building, to pass the keys to Dr. Kennan with these words, "My dear brother, may this building be used by you and your successors, for the healing of the body and the cure of souls." The prayer of dedication was offered by Dr. Thomas S. Barbour of the American Baptist Foreign Mission Society. Dr. Kennan

briefly stated the need of such a building and the uses to which it would be put. It is not a large structure, but ample for the medical ministries required in the vicinity. There are eight beds, three in the men's ward, three in the women's ward, and two private rooms. All details are tasteful, substantial and adapted to practical purposes.

The "dispensary," conducted in a small building near the hospital, filled prescriptions and distributed medicines to more than seven thousand patients in a year. More than eight hundred had been treated between January 1 and the day of our visit. In the dispensary Dr. Kennan has the help of two native assistants. There are no physicians and no



SCHOOL BOYS AT BHIMPORE IN GYMNASTIC EXERCISES

hospitals nearer than Midnapore, twenty miles in one direction; none in another direction nearer than eighty miles; and farther away over the mountains in other directions.

One Santal, a young man, lay out beneath a tree, opposite the hospital, during the services of dedication. He had been brought twenty-seven miles in a rude, springless bullock cart, over rough, jolting roads. His aged father, who had brought him, stays by to nurse the young man, and in the heat and dirt and flies, the father in doing his best to carry out the doctor's directions. Already the young man has been nine days beneath the tree. He seems to have a superstitious suspicion of the hospital. His uttered excuse is, that he fears the bullocks will run away! He is suffering from a pericardial abscess, which is discharging through an opening in the back. The doctor expresses hopes that he will recover.

The girls' boarding house, which is under Mrs. Kennan's supervision, located not far from the bungalow, shelters thirty-six inmates,



most of whom, though not all, are orphans. A young woman, but eighteen years of age, scarcely more than a girl herself, is in charge of the house and, though so young, is doing well. She has grown up under Mrs. Kennan's eye and is thoroughly known and trusted. The building was a poor one and needed to be replaced. On the veranda of the bungalow was a group of girls working at lace-making, some of them just learning. At the other end of the veranda a company of boys are learning to sew and the more skillful are mending garments.

In addition to the schools for boys and girls, which are located on the compound, Dr. Kennan is supervisor of forty-five schools in outer districts. The government makes substantial grants of money for the support of these schools and also pays something on Dr. Kennan's salary as supervisor. Twice a year the native teachers come to the station for a four days' teachers' convention. They are instructed both in methods and in subjects, and are examined in lessons previously imparted. If they rank above a certain standard, prizes are given; if they fall below, they are fined.

In the church, the morning after our arrival about three hundred people were gathered to greet us. Over an arch at the gate was the word, "Johar," welcome! As we entered a gun was fired. The audience sat upon the floor, kept in orderly rows by little rails a few inches high. Two addresses were given in English. One presented these requests: (1) "Means of having and increasing the number of Santal preachers"; (2) "Means of acquiring different sorts of arts"; (3) "Some way to secure higher education"; (4) "Can you suggest how we can preach the Gospel independently in the future?" (5) "Assistance in acquiring medical education."

The church raises about ten rupees a month toward its pastor's salary and about four rupees a month additional for general expenses and for home missions.

Ten evangelists and preachers had come in to meet us, men who tour among the villages and hamlets preaching Christ to their brethren. The Santals seem particularly ready to receive the Gospel. They are unrestricted by caste. One hundred and fifty thousand of them have Christianity preached unto them from this one station of Bhimpore. The language used, unfortunately, is Bengali, not their own, because the government requires the instruction of the schools to be in Bengali. To make Bhimpore a real Hercules of Christian influence more missionaries are needed, an extension of stations farther into the Santal country and the use of the Santali language, their mother tongue, for the Santal people.

*Lewiston, Maine.*

### Cradle Roll Rallies

*Dover, N. H.*—The Cradle Roll and A. L. B.'s of the Washington St., F. B. Church held their annual reception Saturday, June 1st, 1912. The vestry was very attractive with pretty screens, rugs, rocking chairs, etc. Dainty refreshments were served. A pleasing entertainment, consisting of story telling, music and recitations, was given. Remarks by the pastor. Offering amounted to \$6.06.

(MRS.) M. A. GALUCIA, Supt.



CRADLE ROLL, CENTER STRAFFORD, N. H.

*Centre Strafford.*—The Centre Strafford F. B. Church held their rally June 22. A pleasant afternoon was spent, and a light lunch served, after which the children were taken for a ride and had their pictures taken. Offering, \$2.10; number enrolled, 17.

(MRS.) INESS V. STILES, Superintendent.

*Lisbon, Me.*—Has 12 members and sends an offering of \$2.37.

*Carolina, R. I.*—Cradle Roll Rally held June 11, at the home of the Superintendent. Twenty-two members with their mothers and friends were present. A pleasing program was carried out. The six little people who graduated from the L. L. B.'s to the A. L. B.'s were given badges of light blue ribbon with the letters A. L. B. in gold, also a small bouquet to each one. Ice cream and Social Teas were served and a good time enjoyed by all. Offering, \$4.00.

(MRS.) ALICE McVAY, Superintendent.

*Pascoag, R. I.*—The annual rally of L. L. B.'s and A. L. B.'s, June 15, was a great success, forty-five members being present with their mothers and friends. In the vestry, which was decorated with laurel, a program was carried out, including an exercise by the children, entitled "Mother Goose and Her Family as Mission Workers," which was very interesting. At the conclusion all present marched to the lawn in front of the church where settees and tables had been placed. Ice cream, fancy cookies and orangeade were served and a social time enjoyed. The mite boxes contained \$11.53. Within the year nine new members have been enrolled in The Advanced Light Bearers and four in the Little Light Bearers, making a total of 31 L. L. B.'s and 25 A. L. B.'s.

LULA M. HOPKINS, Superintendent.

*Eden Park, Providence, R. I.*—The S. S. Cradle Roll gave a mission entertainment and social, and among other good things on the program was a delightful talk and reading by Miss Bertha Barney, assistant in W. M. S. Cradle Roll State work. She vividly put before the mothers the work of our little ones in helping save the little brown babies of India,—closing by reading portions from the stories of some of them printed in June, '11, HELPER. There was music and recitations by small folk, and a reading by Mrs. Beulah Underwood. The leaflet, "A Girl in India," was distributed to the mothers. Pictures cut from HELPERS were shown. A part of the social hour was spent seated about a long table adorned with apple blossoms; the refreshments were bountiful, mothers and babies had a jolly time, and the mothers left happy and enthusiastic from a *mission* social. The offering was \$3.50.

.. MRS. PRESCOTT, S. S. C. R. Superintendent.

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### A Suggestive Cradle Roll Letter

My Dear Mrs. Hartley:—

You ask about my experience in uniting the work of the Little Light Bearers and Sunday School Cradle Roll. I have been more successful, perhaps, because of being also the Sunday School superintendent. All are so closely connected that I can get in a few words about the Roll, each Sunday, in the opening exercises; either a news item about our brown babies, a prayer, song, the birthday gifts and cards, all of which keeps the children's interest and makes new scholars want to "belong." I

know it is teaching some the blessedness of giving instead of spending all their money for candy.

I urge all Little Light Bearers old enough to come to Sunday School to divide the pennies received, and require all Advanced Light Bearers to bring as their offering only what they have saved for the brown babies. I do not want them to feel that they *must*, but that they are *glad* to help.

Without exception, every member of the L. L. B. (43) has come from the S. S. Cradle Roll (152) and are nearly all children of members of our church or congregation. I am expecting there will be more liberal givers from this church in the years to come. This year ten members have been added to the L. L. B.'s and twelve have been promoted to A. L. B.'s.

Shall I tell you about our Promotion Day exercises? The Primary Sunday School had the entire morning service on Children's Day in June and the opening exercises were appropriate for the day; then a brief explanation was given of the work for the children by the children, and then we gave them the opportunity to show by recitation and song whether *their* children might not help in winning the world for Christ. All the exercises were taken from THE MISSIONARY HELPER or those sent me by you. We used most of the "Little Fishers" exercise, but as all of the children had previously paid their dues, I used the cradle for holding the certificates, mite boxes, or whatever was to be given out that day.

White flowers were placed on the picture of our memorial member, Ellen Weinhold, then all who were entitled to certificate and mite box came to the platform and received them as proudly as their older brothers and sisters received their diplomas from the High School. An offering was made for carrying on the work with the children, and at the close of the meeting several mothers came to me asking to have their children enrolled.

Sincerely yours,

ANNETTE M. HOLT.

Jackson, Mich.

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We believe with John R. Mott that "everything vital hinges on prayer." But vital prayer hinges on information as well as on faith. Our Lord admonished to "look on the field and therefore pray." Knowledge of missions demands prayer. Prayer demands knowledge.





## From the Field

No undertaking in all the world demands workers more thoroughly grounded in fundamental principles than those must be that carry forward the enterprise of Christian missions. We need many more workers; the units must be tens; the tens must be hundreds; the hundreds must be thousands, if every soul is to hear. But mere numbers will not avail. If the great world is to be

impressed with our message, if the hearts of men are to be gripped by the Gospel of Jesus Christ, if lives are to be transformed, we must send out to the ends of the earth those who are divinely equipped for this greatest of all enterprises in the world's history.—T. R. O'Meara.

### Letter From Mrs. Burkholder

My Dear Mrs. Whitcomb:—

My intention was to write you long ago, but the days have been too short for the accomplishment of all that seemed pressing.

I arrived none too soon to relieve our dear Miss Coombs and take her work. I am glad, very glad, to be here. The assurance that the

Master has sent me is a constant source of strength. I feel sure He will help me to be of use here where workers are so much needed.

You will be sorry to learn that Miss Goodrich, who arrived in this country a few days before I did, has been ill for nearly three weeks.

Things are moving, though slowly, in this country, and moving in the right direction. The change in regard to the education among women is very marked. Years ago, it was only after much persuasion that we could induce them to read; now our women have more calls than they can attend to. Again and again when a girl is reciting her lesson in one of our Zenanas, an old woman, either mother or grandmother, corrects her mistakes. A very good family which we visited years ago, where there were four daughters, now has two daughters who are "Lady doctors" working in hospitals. The mother, who is now a widow, lives with one of them and helps her in the hospital. Surely India is advancing, not as rapidly as China, but yet she is moving. Oh, that the Lord of the harvest would call strong, well-balanced young men and women and send them into this field! When, oh when, will they come! Heavy burdens rest on the shoulders of these now in the field, and in a few months others must go home. If our people could once taste the joy of service they could not be easily kept away from it.

I do hope that Miss Coombs and Dr. Mary will improve rapidly so that they can return to us. We are so glad to have the Adams in charge of Khargpur. The first impressions of them are very favorable. The Colletts are in Darjeeling, Mrs. Kennan is in Mussoorie. Miss Barnes and Miss Coe have taken their large Orphanage family and are spending their vacation at Jellasure.

Yours affectionately,

JULIA P. BURKHOLDER.

*Midnapore, India, May 21, '12.*

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### **A Call For Back Numbers of The Helper**

The following request comes from the Providence office:—

In selecting the HELPERS for binding, we found that some of the numbers were nearly exhausted and we would like to have a call issued through the HELPER for the following numbers:

All numbers from the first to 1885; June, 1897; Jan., 1898; Sept., 1899; Dec., 1900; Nov., 1900; June, 1902; March, 1902; Oct., 1903; March, 1903; Feb., 1904; Aug., 1906, and Oct., 1910.

Anyone having these numbers and willing to part with them, will please send to

MISS LYDIA H. ANDREWS, Agent.

*63 Barnes St., Providence, R. I.*

## The Missionary Doctor

The following interesting items are culled from an address by Doctor A. L. Kennan, Bhimpore, India, at an Interdenominational Medical Missionary Conference:

"My field is about ninety miles west of Calcutta, in the edge of the jungles, and the methods that we use there are made necessary or advisable, according to our ideas, by the conditions there prevailing. The Missionary doctor is almost always attended by native evangelists, trained preachers, who do the part that is usually called evangelistic work. On the veranda of the dispensary he waits in the morning before the doctor gets there, and talks to the patients as they come, or preaches to them—not a studied and formal address, but more of a talk along some line of Christian thought. When I am traveling in the country, I make some point my center, and my preachers go out from there to preach in the villages around and advertise the fact that the doctor is camped near by, and any who feel they are in need of his services may find him there."

After speaking of different ways in which the finances of the medical mission may be considered, Dr. Kennan continues:

"It seems to me that the patient is much more likely to use the medicine if a fee is charged. If they get something for nothing they are likely to think it of little worth; but if they give a little something for it, they are much more likely to take the medicine, and to take it according to the directions given.

The taking of a definite fee also saves the missionary much perplexity; for the thought will come up, 'Now, just what fee will I ask for in this particular case? Is this a rich man or a poor man? Or is this medicine a costly medicine, or one that is comparatively cheap?' Thus it is not only a good thing for the patient, but a good thing for the physician. It causes the people to have more respect for the medicine, more respect for the doctor, and more respect for themselves. I know that there are places in India where no fee whatever is required, and the government hospitals and dispensaries, I believe, require no fee for either service or medicine.

The average wage of unskilled labor in the years I have been there has been four cents a day. When a man's income is only four cents a day, it makes considerable difference to him whether the fee that is go-

ing to be asked from him by the doctor is two cents or four cents or six cents or ten cents, and many, I felt sure, were kept away during the year that I was there by the indefiniteness of the fee that might be called for in their particular case; so that I fixed the fee of one *anna*, that is, two cents, for every one. Of course there are some cases, beggars or extremely poor people, whom I recognize are not able to pay even two cents. Two cents there will equal fifty cents here, so that, if you please, my fee is fifty cents for office calls. In reality, it is only two cents.

I may say that this fee of two cents which we charge does not quite pay for the medicines, but sometimes grateful patients who are well to do, make special offerings, so that in general the fees and the gifts thus received just about pay for the medicines, but not for the support of the doctor nor for the dispensary assistants."

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### Contai Message

BY HEMNATH SARKAR.

Dear HELPER:—Today I feel inclined to scribble a few lines which, however unpalatable to others, will be relished by those whose prayer and purse go hand in hand for the sad and forlorn millions of India.

Contai church was a tip-toe with expectation that good Bro. Wyman would come to the Quarterly Meeting which would give her an opportunity to offer a few words of thanks for the services rendered unto her during the short period of his incumbency in the absence of Mr. Murphy, but she was sadly disappointed when she heard that heavy pressure of work had tied him down and made him helpless to gratify the desires of his heart. However, the Church fully understood and sympathized in his peculiar circumstances and sent him a farewell letter bidding him God-speed. For want of the original copy I am compelled to give to the best of my recollection the sum and substance of it, which runs as follows:—

Dear Brother in Christ—We, the members of the small Church of Contai, beg to approach you on the eve of your departure with these few words expressing our respect and love for you. We found in you a mighty man in the pulpit, a great and deep expounder of the Word of God in the Bible School, a wise counsellor in the Church Committee, when divided in opinions on vital matters, a good and loving shepherd to the stray sheep, and kind feeder of lambs in the Sunday Schools. Im-



mense are the benefits we received at your hands, and what more precious and befitting things can we give you in return than the humble tribute of tears and prayer to Him Who is the Giver of all good gifts that He might bring you back whole and hearty and more filled with the spirit of the Lord to our country, the field of your labor and the centre of your affection.

We could show our gratitude at the nick of time to Miss Coombs on the eve of her departure from our native soil as we were out in the Mufussil to preach the Word of Life. We cherish towards her the same respect and Christian love as we do to her colleague, Mr. Wyman. It was to her the Zanana work of Contai, in addition to her own, was entrusted during the absence of Mrs. Murphy. Now this part of the work devolves upon the shoulders of Mrs. Burkholder, who is the fruit of much prayer for her speedy return to India at the hour of dire necessity. We shall hail the return of Dr. and Mrs. Murphy to relieve her at once of the heavy burden of work which strains her nerve and undermines her health.

India field urgently needs at least half a dozen generals of the Cross to marshal the recruits and relieve those who are overtaxed. We hope and pray for re-enforcement next fall.

*Contai, India.*

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### In Memoriam

<p>"Life changes all our thoughts of Heaven; At first we think of streets of gold, Of gates of pearl and dazzling light, Of shining wings and robes of white, And things all strange to mortal sight. But in the afterward of years, It is a more familiar place,</p>	<p>A home unhurt by sighs or tears, Where waiteth many a well-known face. With passing months it comes more near, It grows more real, day by day, Not strange and cold, but very dear— The glad homeland not far away Where none are sick, or poor, or lone, The place where we shall find our own."</p>
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Mrs. E. N. Douglas, Jackson, Michigan, May 22, 1912.

NOTE—When a member of an Auxiliary passes on, it is fitting that the name, place of residence and date of death should appear under "In Memoriam." Resolutions and obituaries are not printed in THE HELPER.

**Assistant Treasurer's Notes**

The following editorial in the *Sunday School Times*, under the heading, "Revealing God," is one of many that are giving inspiration to Christian workers, and helping them to establish standards of Christian living and service.

"What God did for Christ when He was in the flesh, God will do in only lesser degree for all in whom Christ now dwells. Christ Himself was sinless and unique; He was the Godhead as no man has ever been. Except for this difference, the fellowship with the Father, the victory over sin, the witnessing of the power, and love of God, which God made possible for the man Jesus, God also offers freely to us in Christ. And—allowing always for the difference between the nature of the sinless Christ and of sinful man—God would reveal Himself through us to others as He did through Christ.

'Just as Jesus Christ was on earth for thirty-three years to show the world what God is, so the church is now in the world to reveal the heart of God.'

We of the church are members of the body of Christ. God has condescended to use us to make Himself known to men. If those for whom we have a spiritual stewardship do not know God as they should, it is because we have darkened the vision of Himself that God wants to give them in us.

Have we realized the infinite glory of the mission to which we are called and *empowered*?

Are we letting Christ reveal the heart of God in us and through us, always, incessantly, as the very breathing and heart-beat of our life?

If our life is Christ only, He will accomplish this. The Christ-life is the God-revealing life."

Let us see in what ways our W. M. Society membership and friends are reflecting the Christ-life in their deeds.

In Maine the young folks are represented in their giving by gifts from the Biddeford, Portland and West Falmouth Cradle Rolls, Portland Juniors, for Miss Barnes, and Pauline F. Crockett, Single Light Bearer.

Gifts for Storer come from Easton, Biddeford and Topsham auxiliaries. Individual givers are Mary A. Young of Blaine, Mrs. Tufts of South Limington, Miss Weymouth of Troy, and Miss Deering

of Portland. The various auxiliaries by their Thank Offerings and regular gifts provide for certain portions of the work both at home and abroad. Miss Young assures us that she "shall not forget the society or its work, thanks to the HELPER," though in the fall her home will be in California.

Appreciation of our MISSIONARY HELPER is shown by gifts from two New Hampshire auxiliaries. Pittsfield Young People's Missionary Society contributes for Pittsfield School at Balasore; Mrs. Paige of Gilmanton Iron Works sends Thank Offering, and Mrs. M. C. Harrington, dues.

Centre Strafford Cradle Roll sends offering.

Mrs. Blake, treasurer of Vermont, writes that all that she has sent, for the year, is to be credited to Kindergarten work, and, speaking of her own church, she says: "This is by no means a wealthy church, yet we propose to pay what is expected of us. The amount now to our credit for Woman's Missionary Society work is perhaps about half of all we have given for our Free Baptist missionary work during the past year."

In Massachusetts, Lowell, Paige St. Auxiliary, sends a year's salary for the native teacher, Sagri; Chelmsford St. Primary and Kindergarten departments of the Sunday School, each take a share in Miss Barnes' salary, and their auxiliary pays the quarter's salary of Bible woman—Romoni—at Midnapore, adding a Thank Offering; while E. W. Merritt of Bridgewater remembers Storer with a gift.

In Rhode Island's well organized work, Kindergarten work, Miss Barnes' salary, Cradle Roll, zenana work, and industrial work and Miss Sims' salary at Storer, are designated as the objects of support by the various State auxiliaries. It will be noticed that almost every auxiliary accompanies its regular gift with one of Thank Offering.

Our attention has been called to the splendid Cradle Roll Society at Pascoag. Mrs. Hopkins, its Superintendent, sends report of "about one hundred present at their rally, and a mite box collection of \$11.33."

Of the Eden Park Cradle Roll, Miss Piper writes: "Our Superintendent—Mrs. David Prescott—has introduced a mission social into her Sunday School Roll, and the affair proved to be so instructive in entertainment and delightful in the social hour, that the mothers were enthusiastic in their thanks. I trust yearly efforts like this will be made." She adds that she "is urging Sunday School Rolls to contribute a mis-

sion offering, and through the channel of the Woman's Missionary Society."

The Auxiliary of the Second Church of Buffalo, N. Y., specifies its Thank Offering for use for home mission work in Missouri, and its regular contribution is for the yearly salary of Nitya.

Miss Zoe Barnthouse forwards an amount to be credited to Central Ohio Y. M. W. M. Society. Of this society she says: It "is mostly an educational one," and adds: "Most of our women pay through church treasury, and then direct to General Conference. A new interest is manifest in the MISSIONARY HELPER. The Young People's work takes me into most parts of the State and gives me some opportunity to help in W. M. work."

The Campbell Hill, Ill., Juniors pay for share in Miss Barnes' salary to December, 1913. The Children's Day offering of Pleasant View church is also for Miss Barnes' salary.

Michigan auxiliaries have their usual division of gifts,—for Dr. Mary's salary, home missions, including educational work at Storer, and Miss Barnes' salary, with the addition of Thank Offerings. Through Mrs. Annette Holt of Jackson—Cradle Roll Superintendent—Light Bearer gifts come, and also a Thank Offering from Miss Dorothy Lougher. Mrs. Holt reports "twenty-one local new members, beside promoting twelve to Advanced Light Bearers, and in closing, says: "Nothing pays like work for and with the children."

The Treasurer of Champlin, Minn., Auxiliary, enclosing gift, says: "Our society is growing and we can do more than pay the salary of one Bible woman," so she asks for suggestion with reference to choice of further work.

Brainerd W. M. S. divides its gift and Thank Offering equally between Home and Foreign Missions.

Mrs. George W. and Mrs. J. D. Batson, of Castle Rock Church, contribute to Kinderkarten work; and Mr. Ira Clynick, of Granada, for support of Sarodini in Sinclair Orphanage. Huntley Auxiliary completes its apportionment, regretting its inability to add a Thank Offering. To Verona Auxiliary's credit is placed a gift and Thank Offering for Foreign Missions, and also to that of Winnebago Q. M. Auxiliary, one for Foreign Missions. To be applied on 1911-12 apportionment of Winnebago Auxiliary is sent an amount to be equally divided between Home and Foreign Missions. Besides this gift of money, comforters have



been sent to Storer College and the Endeavor World to Rev. Sicar at Contai, India.

Central City and Curlew, Ia., Auxiliaries send dues and Thank Offerings; Lamont and Spencer Sunday Schools send for Miss Barnes' salary, and also Mrs. Whitney. Mrs. B. F. Brown of Van Wert sends Thank Offering.

Mrs. Hill of California remembers her sister's birthday by a memorial gift.

Mr. O. M. Moulton of Quebec forwards a Thank Offering.

Mrs. Lightner's acknowledgment of our last quarterly remittance to Storer contains the following: "Miss Buker leads in contribution for Domestic Science Building. This is the first that has come into my hands. I wish you could see how the school has grown in these later days." That of the American Baptist Foreign Missionary Treasurer, Mr. Butler, has these words: "We desire to express our thanks for the generous amount contributed by the F. B. W. M. Society. \* \* \* \* Your hearty co-operation is gratefully appreciated. \* \* \* Wishing you continued success."

EDYTH R. PORTER.

15 Andover St., Peabody, Mass.

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### The Value of Missions

"I assert it to be a fact beyond contradiction that there is not a ruler, official, merchant, or any other person from emperors, viceroys, judges, governors, counsellors, generals, ministers, admirals, merchants, and others, down to the lowest coolies in China and Japan, Siam and Korea, who, in their association or dealings with their fellowmen in that quarter of the globe, are not indebted every day of their lives to the work and achievements of the American missionaries."—*Admiral Belknap, of the U. S. Navy.*

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To see our calling, to accept it, to honor it, that is the truly godly and noble life! Every man is born to realize some purpose. Find that purpose out, and fulfill it if you would lovingly serve God. Our difficulty is to persuade a man that the lowliest lot, as well as the highest, is the appointment of God: that doorkeeping is a promotion in the Divine gift; and that to light a lamp may be as surely a call of God as to found an empire or to rule a world.—*Joseph Parker.*

## Helps for Monthly Meetings

"If there is one thing more than another on which missionary interest depends, and for which missionary activity must wait, it is missionary intelligence. Missionary reading means missions succeeding."

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### Topics for 1912-13

September—	Membership and "Missionary Helper" Meeting.
October—	China's New Day: 1 China's Break with the Past.
November—	2 The Chinese Woman.
December—	Our Bengal Field and a Wider Outlook.
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February—	Prayer and Praise.
March—	Home Missions.
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#### SEPTEMBER.—MEMBERSHIP AND MISSIONARY HELPER MEETING.

Each member of the Free Baptist Woman's Missionary Society is a definite and helpful part—and may be a vital force—in an organization that in 1873 adopted as its watchword "Enlisted for Life," and took its place as a factor in the redemption of the world. Long before that our women were working in a somewhat different form for the same purpose. This great enterprise requires the co-operation of every woman in our churches. Some one has said that this work among and for women and children in every land "Is doing more to advance humanity than any other form of effort, because it works at the source of the race."

Every new active member not only adds a dollar to our treasury, through which so much is actually being accomplished in India and at Storer College, but also adds power through personal interest, knowledge, prayers, service, gifts. And it is good to "belong." There is a sense of comradeship in our work, we get a wider vision through our united study, we help more by working *together*.

THE MISSIONARY HELPER is our home letter which keeps all the members of the family in touch with one another, with the different phases of work, and the definite demands which we wish to intelligently

supply. We need it. The work needs it. Many times we have been amazed at the swift response to any appeal in its pages. The Treasurer, the Superintendent of the Bureau of Missionary Intelligence and the Editor note especially how quickly any announcement in the HELPER bears fruit. This is indeed a reason for being, if there were no other. The love and loyalty manifested to our magazine is gratifying. How shall we widen its influence?

Plan to make this a most attractive meeting—in the form and heartiness of the invitations; the surroundings, bright with flowers; the colors of the society, the motto, literature on exhibition, young women helpers in costume, the social hour; refreshments, if desired. The program should be brief and to the point, giving a glimpse of what our work and the MISSIONARY HELPER stand for and accomplish; Vacation days at Ocean Park and a visit to the HELPER Sanctum; notes from Annual Meeting, etc. There will be suggestive articles in the September number.

## THE MISSIONARY HELPER BRANCH

OF THE

# International Sunshine Society

Have you had a kindness shown?

Pass it on.

'Twas not given for you alone—

Pass it on.

Let it travel down the years.

Let it wipe another's tears.

Till in heaven the deed appears

Pass it on.

All letters, packages, or inquiries concerning this page or sunshine work should be addressed to Mrs. Rivington D. Lord, 593 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., president of this branch.



Miss E. J. Small has assisted in the Fresh Air work with a gift of \$1.50 and also enclosed stamps for our use. Mrs. M. J. Ray has given \$2.00 to be divided between the Fresh Air and Blind Babies work. Miss Jennie M. Lord has given her mite and is passing on reading matter. Mrs. E. M. Wilbur is doing what she can in the name of Sunshine. Miss A. T. Allen sent in a package of cheer for the little folks. Miss Ethel Hanson's monthly report informs us that sixteen cheering messages have been sent out. Mrs. S. A. Kelsey is passing on her HELPER regularly and sends \$1.00 "to give some one happiness."

We are grateful to the Woman's Missionary Society of the F. B. Church at Enosburg Falls, Vt., for a gift of \$2.00 for our work. Mrs. E. B. Delano has found time in the midst of sickness in the family to write us a kindly letter with stamps enclosed for Branch postage.

Mrs. James Morgan, 50c. for F. A. and 50c. for Hattie's brace. We are grateful that our members have helped this little cripple. One dollar has been given in the name of Winifred Dorothy Woodrow, a little six-year-old sunbeam. Mrs. F. E. Scruton sent in \$1.00. Mrs. H. J. French also helped and is cheering others with a HELPER subscription and her own HELPER each month. She enclosed postage stamps. Miss A. A. Garland gave 50c., stamped birthday cards and a roll of literature.

Mrs. May L. Chatterton has given to the Children's Home at Mont Lawn and cheered our little cripple. Two dollars has been received from Miss Ida M. Batchelder, who always helps in our children's work. F. S. S. members in Woodfords, Maine, Dorchester, Mass., and Oneonta N.Y., have also helped.

Mrs. E. O. Tyron of Massachusetts, Mrs. E. A. Farwell of Rhode Island, and N. J. Chaffee of New York have been enrolled as Branch members.



RACHEL ASKENAS



### **The Blind Girl-Lobbyist**

The story of Rachel Askenas, twelve years old and blind from birth, and how she lobbied for the blind babies' bill, probably has no parallel in interest and sentiment in the annals of the New York State Legislature.

In substance the blind baby bill provides for the instruction in state educational institutions for the blind children of the age of twelve years and under. Heretofore, except in New York City, the institution could not receive the children until they reached the age of eight years. The importance of the measure can be appreciated from the statement made by Mrs. Cynthia Westover Alden, President-General of the International Sunshine Society, that a child blind in infancy cannot live to eight years without special care and not become an idiot or feeble-minded.

It was Mrs. Alden who took Rachel to the Capitol at Albany, where she appeared as the youngest lobbyist ever seen in the Legislature, and a little heroine working for the cause of blind babies. To the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Senators and Assemblymen and all state officials she advocated the bill. She captured all hearts and all votes. She attended the committee hearings and listened attentively to all arguments.

When the bill passed the Senate she was lifted by Lieutenant Governor Conway into his chair, and she was delighted when told that every Senator had voted for the blind babies. The measure was unanimously passed in the Assembly also.

Rachel is one of the brightest of blind children. She left the Dyker Heights Blind Babies' Home several years ago and since then has attended the Thirty-fourth Street School in New York. She is far ahead of many seeing children of her age.

When she was taken to the executive chamber she clung tightly to the Governor's outstretched hand while she told him how she wanted him to sign the bill that would help her and other blind children. She was eloquent in her appeal, and the Governor was deeply touched, as were all others who met her at the Capitol.

The bill is regarded by instructors of the blind as one of the most important steps in education in many years. Mrs. Alden voices the sentiments of those associated with her in the work, that "it will cost the state more to have them grow up as idiots than as intelligent little beings."

Little Rachel Askenas, in later years, when she recalls her brief career as a lobbyist at the Albany Capitol, or has it recalled to her, will have reason to be proud of the part she took in the cause of blind babies.

# Practical Christian Living

"Our Father, my Father, make me conscious of my eternal sonship in Thee! Aid me with the joyful sense that Thou and I are partners in a common work. Give me that peace that adds strength for my task. And if the task grow harder, make me the more gentle, that I may live as I pray, seeking not to rival men but to uplift them; not to outshine them, but to shine for them. Inspire me with the courage that controls, not because it sees, but believes; and therefore knows that Thy work and mine must reach the final beauty of completion. Give me Thy love, the 'perfect love that casteth out fear.'"

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## OUR QUIET HOUR

(10 A. M.)

The hours of the soul's communion with God are the precious hours of life. Sacrifice anything rather than these heavenly impulses. Give up anything that interferes with carrying them out into the life. They are the scattered fountains in the desert, at which the fainting traveler revives his strength and courage. Then heavenly voices speak, and happy is he who gives heed to the heavenly vision, which is from God and conducts to God.—*Ephraim Peabody.*

O Lord, how near Thou art!  
How strong I feel beneath me the  
Everlasting arms;  
How safely I'm delivered from even  
fear of harms;  
How dear is every duty, for Thou  
art standing by;  
Since I have given Thee my life, and  
bid Thee occupy—  
O Lord, how near Thou art!

O Lord, how near Thou art!  
Such sure and gentle guiding I never  
knew before;  
Thy wondrous way of loving I'm  
learning more and more;  
How blessedly Thy presence my soul  
doth satisfy;  
Since I have said, "To do Thy will,  
O Father, here am I,"  
How near, how dear Thou art!  
—Louise Ide Porter.

## Prayer

Our Heavenly Father, in Whose hand are all our ways, guide our steps, we pray Thee, in the paths of peace. Implant in us a desire and longing for holiness and truth. Release us from the bondage of unworthy habit, from the love of all that is not in harmony with Thy pure will; and awaken in our hearts an earnest and importunate yearning for Thy presence and the manifestation toward us of Thy forgiving and uplifting love. May our lives proclaim the power of Thine indwelling, and shed forth the radiance of Thy grace. And this we ask in the name of our blessed Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.—Selected.

## Words from Home Workers

"O Father, Who dost notice every man's work, enable us to regularly do our best and then rest. Help us to happily take up our own tasks. Steady our tempers. Tame our tongues. Awaken our ambition. Enthuse our smallest activities. Lead us into all our open doors of usefulness, for the Great Master's sake."

### WATCHWORD FOR 1912.

**An Auxiliary in Every Church; The MISSIONARY HELPER in Every Home.**

LEWISTON.—It rained hard at the hour set for our Thank Offering service, but about 30 people were present. We have a union thank offering for General Conference and the Woman's Missionary Society. Mrs. Salley, president of the Auxiliary, presided, and Mrs. G. M. Chase presided at the piano. After singing, prayer and responsive reading, Prof. Anthony gave an illustrated talk on his trip in Burma and India, which was very interesting. The offering was something over \$41, and doubtless more will be handed in to our treasurer.—A. D. C.

OCEAN PARK.—Sunday, June 2nd, Porter Memorial Hall was bright with sunshine and flowers, for this was the time of the Thank Offering service of The Toilers-by-the-Sea. An interesting program was given, Mrs. Buzzell, the President, presiding and leading in the Responsive Reading. Invocation by Rev. W. R. Wood. Prayers were offered by Mrs. Scribner and Mrs. Wade. Mrs. L. V. Jordan, President of the State Woman's Missionary Society, had an excellent paper on "The Women of the Orient and the Occident." There was a symposium of thanks in which nine men and women told in a three minutes speech some one thing for which they are thankful. Mr. F. W. DeMerritt sang a beautiful solo, with Mrs. DeMeritt at the organ. Mrs. Barnes read a story, "A Model Girl." The secretary reported 14 members and 9 meetings held during the year. "The Light of the World" has been the text book with items of interest from our own field. There are six Little Light Bearers and three Advanced Light Bearers; 14 HELPERS taken, and \$89.20 in money raised, which includes five HELPER Shares. Quite a party of Saco friends, with Pastor and Mrs. Wood, gave help and inspiration to the meeting. The Offering was \$43.00. Benediction was pronounced by Rev. Mr. Scribner.

M. A. W. B.

*North Berwick.*—The readers of the MISSIONARY HELPER may be interested in the extra work our Society has done the past year. We support a child in India, help the Blind Baby fund, give money and helpful reading matter to the I. S. Society and last fall, when our missionaries went to India, we sent a box full of useful articles to be used as Christmas and Easter presents in school work. In doing for foreign missions we have not forgotten the York County Children's Aid Society. Many boxes of clothing and dollars of our money have gone to poor children. At a recent meeting it was voted to raise three dollars by penny collection for THE MISSIONARY HELPER fund. Our last meeting was a picnic on the church lawn with the following program: Reading 121st Psalm, followed by the Lord's Prayer and singing by the company. Miss Phyllis Bracey recited a poem written by her grandmother, Mrs. Weymouth Johnson, "Giving our Money to Murka, our India Child." Miss Margaret Hobbs read a sweet poem, from the new book, by Rev. Thomas Hobbs Stacy, entitled, "Memories of the Mill." As the mill is situated in this town, it was especially interesting. Miss Elizabeth Chadbourne, daughter of the late Professor Paul Chadbourne, a Bible teacher, gave a most interesting and instructive Mission talk, closing with the 17th chapter of St. John. Last, but not least, we served lunch. Adjourned to meet at Ocean Park later in July, as we are all very anxious to see our dear sister, Miss Coombs.

(MRS) A. J. SARGENT, President.

MICHIGAN.—The Woman's Missionary Society of the College Church, Hillsdale, held their annual Thank Offering meeting at the home of Prof. and Mrs. C. L. Herron on Tuesday evening. Over seventy members of the congregation were present. Mrs. M. J. Coldren, the president, presided, read the Thank Offering call and lead in the responsive reading. Mrs. George W. Myers conducted the devotional services and Rev. Elizabeth Moody offered prayer. Mrs. Phoebe Updyke, who is 87 years old, sang the Songs of Solomon which were much enjoyed, and took many back to the days when their parents sang such songs. Selections from the MISSIONARY HELPER were read by Mrs. D. W. Ward. Little Vera Belle Smith sang as a solo, a Missionary Lullaby, holding a doll in her arms and rocking it. Miss Ruth Clark recited in Indian costume, "From Darkness to Light," then a native song was sung by the Misses Ruth and Lila Clark and Ada Belle Kenman, all dressed in Hindu costume. Mrs. C. S. Hayes gave an interesting missionary reading, "Her Neighbors." Mrs. J. Andrus and Miss E. Salmon read the verses from the offering envelopes which contained \$18 for missions. The closing number was a song by a quartet composed of Mrs. Waller, Miss Fuller, Miss Cole, and Mrs. Alger, accompanied by Miss Ada McJuie. During the social hour curry and rice and orange frappe were served by the young ladies in Indian costume.



# Juniors



## A Cheerful Giver

BY OLIVE HURD BRAGDON.

Mrs. Mabry sat on the veranda engaged in some light sewing.

Jamie, aged ten, was on the lower step, his elbows on his knees, his chin resting in the hollow of his hands. He had not spoken for a long time and except that his toes were digging into the soft turf in an absent-minded way, he might be thought asleep.

"What are you thinking about, Jamie?"

"Oh, nothing much," was his indifferent reply.

"Well," laughed his mother, "I never before knew you to sit still for twenty whole minutes thinking about 'nothing much,' without talking, too. Hadn't you better tell mother what's puzzling you?"

"I don't see anything to laugh at," answered Jamie, rather impatiently; "I'd like to know how a fellow is to be a 'cheerful giver' if he has nothing to give! In Sunday School yesterday, Mr. Corson told us boys that we are all as selfish as we can be because we get so much and give nothing in return. I'd like to know how a fellow like me who gets all he has from you and father can give anything. Ben Lindsay says a teacher's no right to talk that way to him when he's lame and his mother has to take in washing."

"What does Mr. Corson want you to give, Jamie?" quietly questioned his mother. "He is not likely to be unreasonable, is he? It seems to me that you boys have always been very fond of Mr. Corson ever since he took your class and he certainly has given you some pretty nice times."

"Oh, Mr. Corson is all right, mostly, but I guess he got out of patience yesterday when we said we couldn't give any money to help send a poor crippled boy to the hospital so he could be cured. He said we ought to save a part of our candy money and that we were selfish not to want to."

"Do you know who the boy is?"

"No; and anyway, he sprung it on us just because our lesson was about the Lord loving a cheerful giver, and he knew it would make us feel mean not to give after that. Why, mother!" Jamie exclaimed with honest indignation in his voice, "Ben Lindsay is a cripple himself and his mother can hardly make a decent living at washing! How in the

world can Mr. Corson expect *him* to give? I don't believe he ever sees a cent of candy money, or has any candy unless we boys or some one else gives it to him! Cheerful giving is all right if a fellow has anything to give, and here we boys have all promised to give something at the end of four months. I suppose you and father will see me through so I needn't worry about myself, but what puzzles me and Ben is how he is to keep his promise."

"I see," mused his mother. She *did* see, and she saw the very natural side of the boys' understanding of the question. "Let me think a moment!" and Jamie waited patiently, still digging his toe into the turf and his face showing much concern.

"Can you cheerfully give up all your candy money for four months, Jamie?" she asked after a few moments of thought; "cheerfully, remember!"

"Yes, I can, but I don't see how that helps Ben—unless you mean"—and he looked up at her with the question in his eyes—"that I am to give half of my money to him to give away? I'll do that all right," he proposed frankly.

"No, Jamie, that is not what I mean, although it does you credit to offer; nor is it exactly what Mr. Corson means, I think, in this case. The cheerful giving he means when he tried to illustrate what the Lord considers cheerful giving, is that which costs us some effort, or sacrifice, to part with for one or another reason, such as for the good of somebody who needs it very badly and more than we need it ourselves. Now listen, Jamie: I will give you two dollars—about what would be your candy money for that length of time—if you are cheerfully willing to go without the candy, and if you and Ben are willing to work; it will be enough to start you in a little business in which I think you will both be able to earn this 'cheerful gift' that Mr. Corson wishes you to make. What do you say, my boy?"

Jamie's face was aglow with eagerness; there was no doubt in his mother's mind as to the wisdom of her suggestion, for she saw "cheerful giver" written in every line of his countenance, and she unfolded her plan to him.

"This is a state road," she explained, "and a great many automobiles and other teams go by each day, and travelers are always hungry and thirsty; now I'll get your father to build a little booth up there under the two big maples by the roadside and with the two dollars, you and Ben can start a lemonade stand; you will be likely to have a small demand, also, for little lunch biscuits which will add another extra penny or two to your profits. We have a plenty of ice and your father and I will arrange all the details to start with, and then you and Ben must do the rest. But remember, Jamie, it means business and it means that what you make you and Ben must, at last, give away, and it must be given cheerfully. No regrets, remember!"

"Oh, hurrah! I must tell Ben!" and his mother watched him with a smile as his feet fairly flew down the road to the humble little home of his playmate.

It is needless to tell of all the fun the two boys had that summer, and it would not be true if we said they did not sometimes get tired. The booth was much like others that one sees along the summer roadways on a motor or carriage drive through the country. While it was spotlessly clean, and cool, and cozy, and the experiences with wayfarers and pleasure-travelers were very funny and very interesting, yet, after all, it was real work to be at their post day after day and for weeks altogether; but their zeal never flagged in the task they had set themselves to do, and the poor little unknown cripple for whom they were working and giving so cheerfully was often in their minds; so often that they came at last to speak of him as "our friend, a sick boy" to those who stopped to buy.

It almost frightened them to see how the pile of nickels and dimes and quarters grew; and their joy was no less than was Mr. Corson's amazement when they put fifty crisp one dollar bills into his hand the first of November for the lame boy fund.

But the crowning joy of Jamie's giving came when it was told him that the poor cripple whom this great "giving" was to restore to health was none other than Ben Lindsay, his little playmate and business partner, and Jamie boasted ever after that candy had lost its flavor for him and that henceforth he should drown all his sorrows and celebrate all his joys in lemonade.—*What To Do.*

## Contributions

### F. B. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Receipts for June, 1912

#### MAINE

Biddeford Aux. T O (L M name to be sent later) Storer College 10.00; C F 10 00	\$ 20 00
Do, F B C R	10 00
Blaine, Mary A Young	12 00
Cumberland Conf Coll	8 00
Easton, F B Ch W M S (Storer 5.00)	10 00
Gray Ladies' Aid, Miss Coombs' sal'y	5 00
Ocean Park, Toilers-by-the-Sea dues 9.00; T O L M Mrs Sophia G Harvey and Miss Mary G Putnam 43.34	52 34
Pittsfield Aux dues 30.75; T O 10.00; Famine Fund	40 75
Portland Aux, Miss H A Deering for child S O 25.00; C R 8.00; T O 1.00; Jrs Miss Barnes 4.00	38 00
Scarboro Aux for "Lena McKenney" S O	25 00
So Limington (Mrs Simeon Tufts 1.00)	1 80
Do, Mrs B S Moody, dues 1911	1 00

So Portland Aux, T O for C F & L M Mrs J M Remick 23.00; complete L M Mrs Rose Hanaford 1.00	24 00
So Parsonsfield Aux	2 00
Topsham Aux, Miss Coombs 10.00; Widows' Home 10.00; L M name to be sent later (17.42 T O) Storer, \$10; Miss Esterbrook \$5	35 00
Waterville Aux. T O	12 00
Troy, Carrie Weymouth for Gen Fund	1 00
West Buxton, Pauline S Crockett, L L B	70
W Falmouth Aux, Bal work \$3; C R \$4	7 00
York Co Conf Fund for Miss Coombs if needed	15 00

#### NEW HAMPSHIRE

Centre Strafford F B Ch C R	2 10
Gilmanton Iron Works F B Ch T O	3 50
Laconia Aux T O Miss Butts	10 00
Do T O MISSIONARY HELPER	10 00
Mrs M C Harrington Aux dues	1 00

Pittsfield Y P M S for Pittsfield School  
Bal 12 50  
Do Aux for MISSIONARY HELPER 3 00  
(In April Receipts the credits to the  
Misses Ellen and Dorothy Pease, for  
Miss Barnes' sal'y, should have been  
given to Centre Strafford)

## VERMONT

Corinth 1st Ch K W 1 50  
2nd Ch 1 75  
Rev and Mrs L W Pease 10 00  
E Orange Ch 5 00  
E Williamstown 1 00  
Huntington Ch 10 00  
Asso W M S Coll 5 70  
Lyndon Center Ch 15 00  
No Danville Ch 5 23  
No Tunbridge Ch 10 00  
Orange Co Asso W M S Coll 3 60  
Shady Rill Ch T O 12 25  
So Strafford Ch 11 50  
Starksboro Ch 24 67  
Sheffield 1st Ch 2 00  
Sutton Ch 6 00  
Washington Ch 5 00  
Waterbury Center Ch 3 00  
W Charleston Ch 9 72  
W Topsham Ch 7 00  
Wheelock Asso W M S Coll 4 88  
All for Kindergarten Work

## MASSACHUSETTS

Bridgewater, E W Merritt for Storer 5 00  
Lowell, Paige St Aux for Nat teacher 25 00  
Do, Chelmsford St Aux T O 15 37  
Do, do Primary Dept S S for Miss  
Barnes' sal'y 4 00  
Do, do Kind Dept S S for Miss Barnes 4 00  
Do do for Miss Barnes 6 25  
Peabody, A Friend T O for Miss Esta-  
brook's Asst and on L M Miss Edith  
R Sanders 2 00

## RHODE ISLAND

Carolina Aux T O Ind 14 00  
Do, do Miss Sims 5 00  
Do, do K W 12 00  
Eden Park C Roll 3 50  
Do Phillips Mem'l Jr C E Miss Barnes 4 00  
Greenville Aux Ind 11 00  
Olneyville, Plainfield St Jr & Pri Dpt S S  
for Miss Barnes 4 00  
Pascoag, Aux T O Ind 30 00  
Aux dues Ind 12 00  
Jr C E Miss Barnes 4 00  
C R 11 53  
Pawtucket, Aux K W 4 00  
Aux Ind T O 23 00  
L L B's C R 16 10  
Aux T O Miss Sims 5 00  
Providence, Rog Wms Y P S C E K W 18 75  
Do Jr C E 25 00  
Do Aux T O Ind 22 15  
Do dues Ind 26 00  
Park St Aux K W 5 00  
Do dues Ind 5 00  
Do T O Ind 4 50  
Elmwood Ave gifts for B Woman 8 00  
Do T O Zen wk 17 00  
Do dues Ind 10 04  
Do T O Ind 5 00  
Warwick Central Aux Ind 2 50  
Do K W 2 50

## NEW YORK

Buffalo 2d F B Ch Ladies' Aid & Mission-  
ary Society for sal'y of Nitya 25 00  
Do (T O) for H M work of Mrs H R  
Terry, Long Lane, Mo 10 00

## OHIO

Central Ohio Y M W M S for K W at Bal 2 00

## ILLINOIS

Campbell Hill Jrs for two shares Miss  
Barnes' sal'y, paying to Dec 1913 8 00  
Pleasant View F B Ch Child Day Off for  
Miss Barnes 2 20

## MICHIGAN

Batavia Aux Dr B 1 30; H M 1.30; Sto 65c;  
T O 6.10 9 35  
Brownsville Aux Dr B 2 00  
Do Lorna Garwood T O 1 00  
Calhoun & No Branch Q M W M S for  
Storer 1 71  
Cook's Prairie Aux for C F & L M Mrs  
Ruby Stiles, Homer, Mich 3 00  
Elsie Aux for Mrs Burkholder (T O) 7 00  
Gobleville Aux, Dr B 1.20; H M 1.20; Sto  
6 c; T O 8.6 11 66  
Jackson, F B Ch L L B's 7 20  
Do Adv L B's 1 95  
Do T O Miss Dorothy Lougher 86  
Litchfield, Aux Dr B, H M, Storer \$1 each 3 00  
Do S S for Miss Barnes 4 00  
Mason Aux, Dr B 1 50 (T O on L M Rev  
S A Estabrook 17 88) 19 38  
Paw Paw, Dr B 50c; H M 50c; Miss Barnes  
\$4, gift of J. Jennings Barton and on  
L M 5 00  
Q M Coll Dr B 3 75  
Union Aux Dr B 3 00  
(Credits amounting to \$21.47 in 1911  
to Sand Creek, should have been  
given to Fairfield Aux)

## MINNESOTA

Brainerd W M S 1/2 H & F M (T O \$35) 45 00  
Champlin Aux 25 00  
Castle Rock Ch, Mrs J D and Mrs Geo W  
Batson 1/2 each, T O 5 00  
Granada, Mr Ira Clynick for support of  
Sorodini in S O 25 00  
Huntley Aux, remainder of apportion-  
ment 5 00  
Nashville Ctr Aux apportionment 40 00  
Verona, Miss Soc'y for Gen For Work 10 00  
Do do T O Foreign Work 8 35  
Winnebago on 1911-12 appor, 1/2 H & F M 33 14

## IOWA

Central City W M S T O 17 50  
Curlew, Aux dues \$4; T O 6.70 F F 10 70  
Lamont, F B S S Birthday and Easter  
Off \$3; Mrs Rachel Whitney \$1 4 00  
Spencer S S birthday pennies Miss Barnes 5 35  
Van Wert, Mrs B F Brown T O 2 00

## CALIFORNIA

Santa Ana, Mrs Lucy A Hill, memorial  
birthday gift 5 00

## QUEBEC

Coaticook, Mr O M Moulton T O 10 00

Total 1912 \$1,275 78

LAURA A. DEMERITTE, Treas.

Dover, N. H.

Per EDYTH R. PORTER, Asst. Treas.